THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c) Upon learning of an announcement by the Suzuki Motor Corporation (SMC) in Japan and Government asking for clarification in this regard, a delegation of SMC discussed the matter with Government of India (GOI) an 22.09.2004. Thereafter, it was decided that a new automobile assembly plant under a Joint Venture of Maruti Udyog Ltd.(MUL) and SMC for manufacture of high end automobiles will be set up and the new entity will share common vendors, marketing and servicing network and R&D infrastructure of MUL thus enhancing the value of MUL. Further, SMC will set up a new manufacturing facility for diesel engines in equity participation with MUL.

Categorization of public sector industries

1039. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Group of Ministers, constituted under the chairmanship of the Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission, in the recent past had divided the public sector industries into four categories;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the basis of categorization;

(c) the reasons for this categorization; and

(d) the policy adopted by Government after obtaining relevant information regarding these categories?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c) A Group of Ministers (GoM) was constituted on 9.2.2000 under the Chairmanship of the Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission to consider and recommend, *inter alia*, in the matter of payment of wages, salaries and outstanding statutory dues of employees in Central Public Sector Units (CPSUs). GoM grouped CPSUs into four categories keeping in view their financial capacity to pay outstanding statutory dues and salary/wages of their employees as under:

Category A Profit making PSUs having capacity to pay but could not clear the dues for various reasons including legal hurdles.

Category B Loss making CPSUs capable of generating adequate

operating surplus to clear the outstanding dues in a phased manner on their own.

Category C CPSUs which can clear the outstanding dues by sale of their surplus assets.

Category D CPSU which have neither operating surplus nor surplus assets for sale and require budgetary support in view of their acute financial condition to enable them to clear the outstanding dues.

The above categorization was meant to help in formulation of action plan for liquidation of employees' dues in respective CPSUs.

(d) GoM recommendations were accepted by the Government and time schedule of liquidation of statutory and salary/wages dues of employees was drawn up and necessary guidelines were issued to all concerned in the matter.

BHEL Unit at Durgapur

1040. SHRI TARINI KANTA ROY: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state the present status of the proposal received from the West Bengal Government in July, 2004 for opening of a new Unit of BHEL at Durgapur?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): The proposal was examined and it was not found feasible.

Women Commission for UTs

1041. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:
SHRI BALAWANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to constitute a Union Territory level Women Commission for Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu;

(b) the time frame for setting up such a Commission; and